

Do	4 P.M.	76
HARMONICA	9 A.M.	76
Do	1 P.M.	76
Do	4 P.M.	76
Do, (Wal bulb)	9 A.M.	76
Do	Do	77
Do	Do	77

Quotations.	
Rangoon, May 28.	
OPIMUM — New Pains, each...	\$442 1/2
" Old " each...	440
" New Bains, each...	537 1/2
" Old " each...	537 1/2
" New Malva, credit...	730/50
Allowance Tink 12	
Old Malva, credit...	—
Exchange.	
Bank, Wire...	3/25
" Demand...	3/10
" 30 days sight...	3/10 1/2
" 4 months sight...	3/10 1/2
Credit, 4 "...	3/10 1/2
Documentary, 4 months sight...	140 1/2
India, Wire...	257 1/2
" demand...	258 1/2
Shanghai, demand...	724
" 30 days sight...	724
Gold Loan, 99 1/2 fine...	26.95
Royals...	5.54
Shares.	
Hongkong Bank, 57 1/2 pms, value...	
Union Ins. Soc. of C. of Am., \$1,400 per share, ex div.	
China Traders Ins. Co., \$1,450 per share	
North China Ins. Co., 3 1/2 pms, 3.75 per share	
Longins Ins. Assoc., Tk 725 per share	
Oversea Ins. Co., \$207 1/2 per share, value	
H. K. Fire Ins. Co., \$240 per share	
Union Fire Ins. Co., \$240 per share	
Shanghai & W. China Ins. Co., 5 pms	
S. S. C. of Am., \$200 per share, value	
Shanghai Steam Navigation Co., 5 pms	
China Coast Ste. Nav. Co., Tk 155 per share	
Hongkong Gas Co., 500 per share	
Hongkong Hotel Co., 500 per share	
Union Sugar Refining Co., \$115 per share	
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1874, nominal	
Do. of 1871, do.	
Temperatures.	
Therm. at Messrs. Fraser & Co.'s, Franklin, Quana (China).	
Rangoon, May 28.	
At 5 A.M.	29.380
Do. 1 P.M.	29.221
Do. 4 P.M.	29.221
Do. 7 P.M.	75
Do. 4 P.M.	75
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M.	75
Do. Do. 1 P.M.	75
Do. Do. 4 P.M.	75
Do. Maximum	79
Do. Minimum	75

Intimations.

THE CHINA REVIEW.

THE widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of *Notes & Queries* on China and Japan, information, the publisher of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

The *CHINA REVIEW*, or *Notes and Queries on the Far East*, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$6.50 postage paid, per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number. Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavours are made to present a résumé in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), as are also those queries which through asking for information, furnish new or unpublished details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries proper as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1879, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the prize offered by the *China Review* for the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and interesting Review. It is a sixty-page, bi-monthly repository of what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lectures on Chinese Poetry in this volume is alone worth the price of the Review. Address *China Review*, Hongkong.—*Northern Christian Advocate* (U.S.).

Frederick's Oriental Record contains the following notice of the *China Review*:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of *Notes and Queries on China and Japan*, the existence of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calcutta Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, the missionary body, among whose high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *Shi King*, by the Rev. B. J. Eitel, to which the place of honour is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connection with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-Statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. O. Morris, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new works relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that the opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may excite a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine."

THE CHINESE MAIL.

This paper is now issued every day. The subscription is fixed at Four Dollars per annum delivered in Hongkong, or Seven Dollars Fifty Cents including postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese Newspaper ever issued under purely native direction. The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the native community, amongst whom also it is to be found, the guarantee, and sometimes necessary, to place it on a business and legal footing.

The projections, having the estimates upon the most reliable information from the various Ports in China and Japan, from Australia, California, Singapore, Penang, Saigon, and other places frequented by the Chinese, consider themselves justified in guaranteeing an ultimate circulation of between 3,000 and 4,000 copies. The advantages offered to advertisers are therefore mutually great, and the foreign community generally will find it to their interest to avail themselves of them.

The field open to a paper of this description, conducted by native efforts, but progressive and anti-obstructive in tone, in almost limitless. It on the one hand commands Chinese belief and interest while on the other it deserves every aid that can be given to it by the foreign community. Like English journals it contains editorial matter, with Local, Shipping, and Commercial News, and Advertisements.

Subscription orders for either of the above may be sent to

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Hongkong, July 31, 1878.

Visitors' Column.

We have instituted an experiment a VISITORS' COLUMN, which we trust will prove successful, and be found useful. To it will be relegated from time to time such items of information, lists, tables and other intelligence as is considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with we have opened a SELECT HOTEL AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY, applications for enrolment into which we are now ready to receive.

List of Public Buildings.

Government House, North of Public Gardens.
City Hall, Library (8,000 volumes) and Museum.—Free.
Public Gardens, a beautiful picturesque retreat and of great interest.
The Clock Tower, Queen's Road Central, in a line with Pedder's Wharf.
General Post Office, Hongkong Club, German Club, Supreme Court, &c., within a stone's throw.
Launceston Club and Library, Shelley St.
Government Offices, the Secretariat, &c., near the Public Gardens.
St. John's Cathedral (Anglican), above the Parade Ground.
Roman Catholic Cathedral, Wellington Street.

Union Church, Elgin Street.
St. Peter's Seamen's Church, West Point.
St. Joseph's (R.C.) Church, Garden Road, near Kennedy Road.
Temperance Hall, specially adapted for sea-faring men, Queen's Road East.
Sailors' Home, West Point.
E. E. A. and China Telegraph Co., and the Great Northern Telegraph Co., Marine House, Queen's Road.
Masonic Hall, Zetland Street.
Victoria Recreation Club—Bath-house and Bout-house, &c.—Praya, beyond the Cricket Ground, beside the City Hall.
The Barracks and Naval and Military Store Departments lie to the eastward, and cover a large area.

Hotels.

Stag Hotel, good accommodation for visitors at moderate rates, 110, Queen's Road Central.—J. Coors, Proprietor.

Stores, Books, &c.

Publishers of the Largest Collection of Views in the Empire, and general illustrations of the Chinese.—A. FONG'S PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO, 8, Queen's Road.
General Outfitter, Hosiery, Tailor, &c.—T. N. DRAKE, 45 and 47, Queen's Road, by special appointment to H.E. the Governor.
Chronometers, Watches, Jewellery, Maps and Charts.—G. FALCONER & Co., Queen's Road Central.
Travelling Requisites of all kinds, Books, &c.—LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., American and English Stores, Books, and specially selected Cigars.—MACLEWEN, FRICKELL & Co.
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Watches, Jewellery, Charts, Binoculars, Optical Instruments, Mordan's Pencils, &c.—JOHN NOBLE, agent for Negretti & Zambra.
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LOCALIZED TABLE OF FARES FOR CHAIRS, CHAIR DRIVERS, AND BOATS, IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Chairs and Ordinary Pullaway Boats.
Half hour, ... 10 cts. Hour, ... 20 cts.
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Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

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Single Trip.
Four Coolies, ... \$1.00
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Two Coolies,70

Return (direct or by Pok-fu-hum).

Four Coolies, ... \$1.50
Three Coolies, ... 1.20
Two Coolies, ... 1.00

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Single Trip.
Four Coolies, ... \$0.60
Three Coolies,50
Two Coolies,40

Return (direct or by Pok-fu-hum).

Four Coolies, ... \$1.00
Three Coolies,85
Two Coolies,70

The Return Fare embraces a trip of not more than three hours.

For every hour or part of an hour above three hours, each Coolie will be entitled to an additional payment of 5 cents.
Day Trip (Peak), ... \$0.75 each Coolie.
(12 hours) (Gap), ... \$0.60 each Coolie.

Licensed Drivers (each).

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Half day, ... 35 cts.
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1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 tons, per Day, ... \$3.00
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2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 tons, per Day, ... 2.50
2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 tons, per Load, ... 1.75
3rd Class Cargo Boat of 400 tons, per Day, ... 1.50
3rd Class Cargo Boat of 400 tons, per Load, ... 1.00
4th Class Cargo Boat of 200 tons, per Day, ... 1.00
4th Class Cargo Boat of 200 tons, per Load,50

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or Pullaway Boats, per Day, ... \$1.00
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After 5 p.m., ... 10 cts. each.

Nothing in this Scale prevents private agreements.

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Boats of Hire for Ferry Coolies.
One Day, ... \$0.50
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Three Hours,15
One Hour,10
Half Hour,05

Nothing in the above Scale to affect private agreements.

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised March 1, 1880.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double letters, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets or papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except book-fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Printed currency may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though Written by Hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, drafts, copied accounts, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 6 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents. The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers for Foreign Post Office is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 3 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 3 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches. N.R. means No Registration.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, most foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritania, all N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Chile, Brazil, Peru, Venezuela, the Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guiana, Honduras, Bermuda, Labuan, with all Dutch, French, Netherlands, Portuguese and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are the Australasian Group.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route.—
Letters, 10 cents per 1/2 oz.
Post Cards, 8 cents each.
Registration, 10 cents.
Newspapers, 2 cents each.
Books and Patterns, 1/2 cent per 2 oz.

Comm. Papers.

There is no charge on registered correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Hawaiian Kingdom.—
Letters, 10.
Registration, None.
Newspapers, 5.
Books & Patterns, 5.

West India (Non-Union), Bolivia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Uruguay, &c.

Letters, 30.
Registration, None.
Newspapers, 10.
Books & Patterns, 10.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 12; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 4; Via Galle, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 4.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension, via Aden, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 5.

* A small extra charge is made on delivery.
† There is no charge on letters to India by the India Mail, to the Bahamas and Hayti, the San Francisco route is available.
‡ Registration via San Francisco, 10 cents.
§ Cannot be sent via San Francisco.

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Local Parcel Post.

1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post between any of the Post Offices in China, Japan, or India, to Hongkong, Shanghai, Singapore, Penang, Amoy, Malacca, &c. They must not exceed the following dimensions, 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, nor weigh more than 5 lbs. The postage will be 20 cents per lb., which will include Insurance. The parcels may be wholly closed if they bear this special endorsement, PARCEL, CONTAINING NO LETTERS, but any parcel may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General.

2. The following cannot be transmitted: Parcels insufficiently packed or protected, or liable to be crushed (as handbills, &c.) Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dye-stuffs, Ics, Meat, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.

3. Parcels will as a general rule be forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail Packet. The Post Office reserves the right of selecting the opportunity for transmission, and of delaying delivery in case the number of parcels is such as to retard other correspondence. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, but the system of Registration will secure the sender against any but a very remote probability of loss.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

Most countries to which Hongkong forwards Correspondence having joined the General Postal Union or being probable about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of durable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows: Books and Papers to British Offices, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs. Patterns to British Offices, 5 lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Letter.

The following Regulations as to the indemnity to be paid in certain cases on the loss of Registered correspondence have been made by His Excellency the Governor under Ordinance No. 10 of 1876, Section XII.

1. The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but henceforth it will be prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately after the loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded, with such application unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Post Administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or otherwise, nor by the dilatory or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for more than one article such as portrait, watches, handkerchiefs, bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

Money Order Regulations.

1. Money Orders are exchanged with the United Kingdom, New South Wales, New Zealand, Queensland, South Australia, and Port Darwin, the Straits Settlements, Western Australia, and (except at Shanghai) with the Japanese Empire. Hongkong also issues orders on Shanghai, and vice versa.

2. Small sums may be remitted between the other Ports by means of Postage Stamps, subject to a charge of one per cent. for cashing them.

3. Many Money Orders are supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in this way. An application for an order is filed up, and is enclosed with a stamped, directed, and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest issuing office. The application must be accompanied with the full amount (including commission) in cheques, postage stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a little margin should be left for variations of exchange. The Postmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the change, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the money, if it were to be registered, as it always should be. Care should be taken to send these applications in time, as the Money Order Offices close some hours before the departure of the mails.

4. No order must exceed £10, or \$50, or include any fraction of a penny, nor will more than two orders be issued to the same person, in favour of the same party, by the same mail. Orders will be drawn at the current rate of the day and paid at the rate of the day when the order arrived.

The commission is as follows:—
Up to £2, ... 18 cts.
£2 to £5, ... 36 cts.
£5 to £10, ... 54 cts.
£10 to £20, ... 72 cts.
£20 to £50, ... 108 cts.
£50 to £100, ... 144 cts.

Local and Intercolonial Orders.
Up to £25 or \$50, ... 36 cts.
£25 or \$50 to £100, ... 54 cts.

5. Lists of Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom may be consulted at Hongkong and Shanghai.

6. Names must be given in full (except when there is more than one Christian name) but the name of the Payee need not be given if the order be expressed (as cheques) in the name of the Bank, and may otherwise be specially expressed to any Bank.

7. No order can be paid till the Payee has signed it in the proper place. An order may be transferred to another office on payment of an additional commission, but the money will be forfeited, when the order is sent paid on further notice be entertained.

8. No order can be paid until the order relative to it has been received.

9. Made out on a printed form which is supplied gratis.

10. Local Orders on Shanghai are drawn at 2 per cent. premium in all cases. A fixed rate for drawing on the United Kingdom is in force at Shanghai.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked 1., near the Kowloon shore 2., and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked 3., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section. 1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Naval Yard.
3. From Naval Yard to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Pedder's Wharf.
6. From Pedder's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
8. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

Vessel's Name.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Steamers.							
Albatross	Brit.	etc.	802	May 20	Captain	Seigon	To-morrow
Amoy	Brit.	etc.	814	May 20	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
China	Brit.	etc.	848	May 20	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Fokien	Brit.	etc.	778	May 20	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Clarendon	Brit.	etc.	784	May 20	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Dalmeida	Brit.	etc.	844	May 19	Captain	Bangkok	To-morrow
Danube	Brit.	etc.	581	May 19	Captain	Bangkok	To-morrow
Decima	Brit.	etc.	1135	May 17	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Fame	Brit.	etc.	117	May 17	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Fokien	Brit.	etc.	510	May 20	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Puyue	Brit.	etc.	520	May 20	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Gravina	Brit.	etc.	598	May 20	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Kennedy Castle	Brit.	etc.	1068	May 19	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Meath	Brit.	etc.	1337	May 17	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Namoa	Brit.	etc.	862	May 17	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Nigata Maru	Brit.	etc.	1066	May 17	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Nora	Brit.	etc.	806	May 17	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Ocean	Brit.	etc.	1085	May 17	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Patrol	Brit.	etc.	1650	May 17	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Pandora	Brit.	etc.	608	May 17	Captain	Shanghai	To-day
Sea King	Brit.	etc.	48	May 17	Captain	Shanghai	To-day